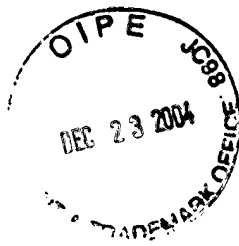


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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 24, 2004**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2004, which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response until December 27, 2004 (December 24, 2004 being a federal holiday and December 24 and 25, 2004 being a Saturday and Sunday, respectively).

Applicants note that this response is being filed by the initial due date for response whereby an extension of time and government fees associated therewith should not be necessary for maintaining the pendency of the application. However, if any extensions of time are required to maintain the pendency of this application, this is an express request for

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any required extension of time, and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the instant reply, with reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 3

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.